

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 260

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Third Judicial District Drug and Violent Crime Task Force.

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee is blessed with dedicated law enforcement officers who risk their personal safety, even their lives, to protect and serve their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Third Judicial District Drug and Violent Crime Task Force (DTF) was recently honored for its commendable efforts in a wide-reaching methamphetamine investigation by the governing board of the Tennessee Narcotic Officers Association (TNOA) during the TNOA's recent yearly conference held in Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, the award of recognition presented to the DTF is a fitting tribute to the Third Judicial District DTF's commitment to excellence; and

WHEREAS, the area covered by the Third Judicial District DTF includes Greene, Hancock, and Hawkins counties; and

WHEREAS, DTF board of directors members receiving the award include Greene County Sheriff Wesley Holt, Hawkins County Sheriff Ronnie Lawson, Third Judicial District Attorney General Dan. E. Armstrong, Surgoinsville Police Chief James Hammonds, Hancock County Sheriff Brad Brewer, Greeneville Police Chief Tim Ward, and Mosheim Police Chief Dustin Jeffers; and

WHEREAS, agencies assisting the Third Judicial District DTF include the Fourth Judicial District DTF, Greene County Sheriff's Department, Greeneville Police Department, Hancock County Sheriff's Office, Hawkins County Sheriff's Office, Surgoinsville Police Department, Moshiem Police Department, Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Attorney's Office, and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; and

WHEREAS, Third Judicial District DTF Director Craig Duncan credits these agencies with supplying valuable resources during the investigation and prosecution of the case, including patrol units, detectives, and special operation teams; and

WHEREAS, we wish to extend our gratitude and approbation to the members of the Third Judicial District Drug and Violent Crime Task Force for making Tennessee a safer place to live; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate the members of the Third Judicial District Drug and Violent Crime Task Force upon their receipt of an award of recognition from the board of the Tennessee Narcotic Officers Association and applaud their unfaltering efforts to ensure the well-being of the citizens of this State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.